§250.67 of this part as well as the appropriate requirements of this subpart.

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§250.605 Subsea workovers.

No subsea well-workover operation including routine operations shall be commenced until the lessee obtains written approval from the District Supervisor in accordance with §250.613 of this part. That approval shall be based upon a case-by-case determination that the proposed equipment and procedures will maintain adequate control of the well and permit continued safe production operations.

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§250.606 Crew instructions.

Prior to engaging in well-workover operations, crew members shall be instructed in the safety requirements of the operations to be performed, possible hazards to be encountered, and general safety considerations to protect personnel, equipment, and the environment. Date and time of safety meetings shall be recorded and available at the facility for review by a Minerals Management Service representative.

§ 250.607 Welding and burning practices and procedures.

All welding, burning, and hot-tapping activities involved in well-workover operations shall be conducted in accordance with the requirements of §250.402 of this part.

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§250.608 Electrical requirements.

All electrical equipment and systems involved in well-workover operations shall be designed, installed, equipped, protected, operated, and maintained in accordance with the requirements in §250.403 of this part.

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§250.609 Well-workover structures on fixed platforms.

Derricks, masts, substructures, and related equipment shall be selected, designed, installed, used, and maintained so as to be adequate for the potential loads and conditions of loading that may be encountered during the operations proposed. Prior to moving a well-workover rig or well-servicing equipment onto a platform, the lessee shall determine the structural capability of the platform to safely support the equipment and proposed operations, taking into consideration the corrosion protection, age of the platform, and previous stresses to the platform.

§250.610 Diesel engine air intakes.

No later than May 31, 1989, diesel engine air intakes shall be equipped with a device to shut down the diesel engine in the event of runaway. Diesel engines which are continuously attended shall be equipped with either remote operated manual or automatic shutdown devices. Diesel engines which are not continuously attended shall be equipped with automatic shutdown devices.

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§250.611 Traveling-block safety device.

After May 31, 1989, all units being used for well-workover operations which have both a traveling block and a crown block shall be equipped with a safety device which is designed to prevent the traveling block from striking the crown block. The device shall be checked for proper operation weekly and after each drill-line slipping operation. The results of the operational check shall be entered in the operations log.

§250.612 Field well-workover rules.

When geological and engineering information available in a field enables the District Supervisor to determine specific operating requirements, field well-workover rules may be established on the District Supervisor's initiative or in response to a request from a lessee. Such rules may modify the specific requirements of this subpart. After field well-workover rules have been established, well-workover operations in

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the field shall be conducted in accordance with such rules and other requirements of this subpart. Field well-workover rules may be amended or canceled for cause at any time upon the initiative of the District Supervisor or upon the request of a lessee.

§250.613 Approval and reporting for well-workover operations.

- (a) No well-workover operation except routine ones, as defined in §250.91 of this part, shall begin until the lessee receives written approval from the District Supervisor. Approval for such operations shall be requested on Form MMS-124, Sundry Notices and Reports on Wells.
- (b) The following information shall be submitted with Form MMS-124:
- (1) A brief description of the well-workover procedures to be followed, a statement of the expected surface pressure, and type and weight of workover fluids;
- (2) When changes in existing subsurface equipment are proposed, a schematic drawing of the well showing the zone proposed for workover and the workover equipment to be used; and
- (3) Where the well-workover is in a zone known to contain H_2 S or a zone where the presence of H_2 S is unknown, information pursuant to §250.417 of this part.
- (c) The following additional information shall be submitted with Form MMS-124 if completing to a new zone is proposed:
- (1) Reason for abandonment of present producing zone including supportive well test data, and
- (2) A statement of anticipated or known pressure data for the new zone.
- (d) Within 30 days after completing the well-workover operation, except routine operations, Form MMS-124, Sundry Notices and Reports on Wells, shall be submitted to the District Supervisor, showing the work as performed. In the case of a well-workover operation resulting in the initial recompletion of a well into a new zone, a Form MMS-125, Well Summary Report, shall be submitted to the District Supervisor and shall include a new schematic of the tubing subsurface equip-

ment if any subsurface equipment has been changed.

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§ 250.614 Well-control fluids, equipment, and operations.

The following requirements apply during all well-workover operations with the tree removed:

- (a) Well-control fluids, equipment, and operations shall be designed, utilized, maintained, and/or tested as necessary to control the well in foreseeable conditions and circumstances, including subfreezing conditions. The well shall be continuously monitored during well-workover operations and shall not be left unattended at anytime unless the well is shut in and secured.
- (b) When coming out of the hole with drill pipe or a workover string, the annulus shall be filled with well-control fluid before the change in such fluid level decreases the hydrostatic pressure 75 pounds per square inch (psi) or every five stands of drill pipe or workover string, whichever gives a lower decrease in hydrostatic pressure. The number of stands of drill pipe or workover string and drill collars that may be pulled prior to filling the hole and the equivalent well-control fluid volume shall be calculated and posted near the operator's station. A mechanical, volumetric, or electronic device for measuring the amount of well-control fluid required to fill the hold shall be utilized.
- (c) The following well-control-fluid equipment shall be installed, maintained, and utilized:
- (1) A fill-up line above the uppermost BOP:
- (2) A well-control, fluid-volume measuring device for determining fluid volumes when filling the hole on trips; and
- (3) A recording mud-pit-level indicator to determine mud-pit-volume gains and losses. This indicator shall include both a visual and an audible warning device.